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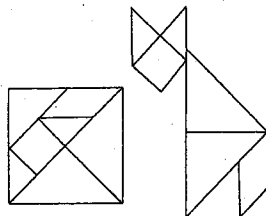
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**tambourin** (tām'boō-rīn, tām-boō-rān') *n.* [Prov. *tamborin*, dim. of *tambor*, var. of OFr. *tambour*, *tambour*.] 1a. A long, narrow, two-headed drum used in Provence. b. One who plays the tambourin. 2. A lively two-beat rhythm, accompanied by the tambourin. **tambourine** (tām'ba-rēn') *n.* [OFr. *tambourin*, dim. of *tambour*, *tambour*.] 1. A percussion instrument consisting of a small drumhead with jingling disks fitted into the rim. 2. A similar instrument without a drumhead. **tamburica** (tām-boō-rī't-sā, tām'ba-rī't'sā) *n.* [Sbro-Croatian *tamburica* dim. of *tambura*, stringed instrument < Ottoman Turk. *tambūra* < Pers. *tāmbūra*. —see TAMBOURA.] A Balkan mandolinlike stringed instrument. **tame** (tām) *adj.* **tam-er**, **tam-est** [ME < OE *tam*.] 1. Brought from wilderness into a tractable or domesticated state. 2. Naturally gentle or unafraid; not timid < "The sea otter is gentle and relatively tame" —Peter Matthiessen> 3. Submissive; docile < a tame child> 4. Inappetent; flat < a tame New Year's Eve party> 5. Sluggish; inactive < a tame river> —*vt.* **tamed**, **tam-ing**, **tames** 1. To make tractable: DOMESTICATE. 2. To subdue or curb. 3. To tone down: SOFTEN. —**tam'a-ble** *adj.* **tam-il** (tām'āl, tūm'-) *n., pl.* **Tamil** or **-ils** [Tamil.] 1. A member of a Dravidian people of southern India and Sri Lanka. 2. The Dravidian language of the Tamil. —*adj.* Of or relating to the Tamil. **tam-muz** also **Tham-muz** (tām'mōōz') *n.* [Heb. *tammūz* < Sumerian *tammuzi*, the name of a god.] The tenth month of the year in the Jewish calendar. —See table at CALENDAR. **tam-o'-shan-ter** (tām'ō-shān'tər) *n.* [After the hero of *Tam o' Shanter*, a poem by Robert Burns (1759-96).] A tight-fitting Scottish cap or braided bonnet, occas. having a pompom, tassel, or feather in the center. **tam-pen** (tām-pən) *v.* **tamp** (tāmp) *vt.* **tamped**, **tamp-ing**, **tamps** [Prob. back-formation < TAM-PON.] 1. To pack down tightly with blows or taps. 2. To pack clay, sand, or dirt into (a drill hole) above an explosive. **tam-per** (tām'pər) *v.* **pered**, **per-ing**, **pers** [Alteration of TEMPER.] —*vi.* To interfere in a harmful way < tampering with a delicate mechanism> 2. To meddle foolishly or rashly < tamper with someone's emotions> 3. To bring about an improper situation or condition by clandestine means < tamper with a jury> < tamper with a contract> —*vt.* To alter improperly. —**tam'per-er** *n.* **synonyms:** TAMPER, FOOL, MEDDLE, MESS, MONKEY, TINKER *v.* *care meaning:* to handle something idly, ignorantly, or destructively < constructions not to tamper with the radio> **tam-pon** (tām'pən) *n.* 1. One that tamps. 2. A neutron reflector in an atomic bomb that also delays the expansion of the exploding material, making possible a longer-lasting, more energetic, and more efficient explosion. **tam-per-proof** (tām'pər-prōōf') *adj.* Designed to prevent tampering or provide evidence of tampering. **tam-pi-on** (tām'pē-on) also **tom-pi-on** (tōm'-) *n.* [ME *tampyne*, plug < OFr. *tampon*, of Germanic orig.] A cover or plug for the muzzle of a gun or cannon to keep out dust and moisture. **tan** (tān) *v.* **tanned**, **tan-ning**, **tans** [ME *tannen* < OFr. *tanner* < Med. Lat. *tannare* < *tannum*, tanbark, prob. of Celt. orig.] —*vt.* 1. To convert (hide) into leather, as by treating with tannin. 2. To make brown by exposure to sun. 3. Informal. To trash or spank. —*vi.* To become brown or tawny from exposure to sun. —*n.* 1. A light or moderate yellowish brown to brownish orange. 2. The brown color sun rays impart to the skin. 3. Tanbark. 4. Tannin or a solution derived from it. —*adj.* **tan-ner**, **tan-nest** 1. Being of the color tan. 2. Having a sun-tan. 3. Used in or relating to tanning. **tan** (tān) *n., pl.* **Tan** or **Tans** The Tanks. **tan-ger** (tān'jər) *n.* [NLat. *tanager* < Port. *tangará* < Tupi.] A small New World bird of the family Thraupidae, often with brightly colored plumage in the male. **tan-kah** (tā-nāk'h') *n.* [Acronym from the initial letters of the Hebrew names for the Torah, the Prophets, and the Writings: *t(ōrā)*, *p(rophēti)*, *w(ritings)* + *k(ōtūbōt)*.] The sacred book of Judaism, consisting of the Torah, the Prophets, and the Writings: the Hebrew Scriptures. **tan-bark** (tān'bārk') *n.* 1. The bark of various trees, used as a source of tannin. 2. Shredded bark from which the tannin has been extracted, used to cover a surface, as a circus arena or a racetrack. **tan-dem** (tān'dəm) *n.* [Lat. *tandem*, at last, at length.] 1. A two-wheeled carriage drawn by horses harnessed one behind the other. 2. A team of carriage horses harnessed in single file. 3. A tandem bicycle. 4. An arrangement of two or more persons or objects placed one behind the other. —*adv.* One behind the other < ride tandem> —*in tandem*. 1. In

a tandem order. 2. In a tandem relationship. —**tan'dem** *adj.* **tandem bicycle** *n.* A bicycle for two or more persons sitting tandem. **tan-door** (tān-dōōr') *n., pl.* **-doors** or **door-i** (-dōōr'ē) [Hindi and Urdu *tandūr* < Pers., var. of *tannūr* < Ar. < *nūr*, light, fire.] A cylindrical oven made of clay used esp. in India, heated to a high heat over charcoal or wood. **tan-door-i** (tān-dōōr'ē) *adj.* [Hindi *tandūri* < *tandūr*, tandoor. —see TANDOOR.] Cooked in a tandoor. **tang** (tāng) *n.* [ME *tonge*, of Scand. orig.] 1. A sharp, distinctive flavor, taste, or odor. 2. A distinctive quality. 3. A trace, hint, or smattering. 4a. A sharp point, shank, tongue, or prong. b. A projection by which a tool, as a chisel or knife, is attached to its handle or stock. —*vt.* **tanged**, **tang-ing**, **tangs** To furnish with a tang. —**tang'y** *adj.* **tang<sup>2</sup>** (tāng) *n.* [Imit.] A loud ringing sound: TWANG. —*vi.* & *vt.* **tanged**, **tang-ing**, **tangs** To twang or cause to twang. **tan-ge-lo** (tān'jā-lō') *n., pl.* **-los** [Blend of TANGERINE and POMELO.] 1. A hybrid citrus tree that is a cross between certain varieties of grapefruit and tangerine. 2. The fruit of the tangelo, with an acid or orange pulp. **tan-gent** (tān'jənt) *adj.* [Lat. *tangens*, *tangent-*, pp. part. of *tangere*, to touch.] 1a. Making contact at a single point or along a line. b. Touching but not intersecting. 2. Diverging from an original purpose or the matter at hand. —*n.* 1. A line, curve, or surface touching but not intersecting another line, curve, or surface. 2. The trigonometric function of an acute angle in a right triangle that is the ratio of the length of the side opposite the angle to the length of the side adjacent to the angle. 3. A sudden digression or change of course < The minister went off on a tangent while giving the sermon.> —**tan'gen-ce** (-jəns), **tan'gen-cy** (tān'jən-sē) *n.* **tan-gen-tial** (tān-jən'shəl) also **tan-gen-tal** (-jən'tl) *adj.* 1. Of, relating to, or moving along or in the direction of a tangent. 2. Merely touching or slightly connected. 3. Superficially relevant: DIVERGENT. —**tan-gen'ti-ally** (-shē-āl'i-tē) *adv.* **tangent plane** *n.* The plane containing all the lines tangent to a specified point on a surface. **tan-ger-line** (tān'jā-rēn', tān'jā-rēn') *n.* [Short for *tangerine orange*, after *Tanger* (Tangier), Morocco.] 1. A widely cultivated variety of mandarin orange having deep red-orange fruit with easily separated segments. 2. A strong reddish orange to strong or vivid orange. —**tan'ger-ine** *adj.* **tan-gi-ble** (tān'jā-bal) *adj.* [LLat. *tangibilis* < Lat. *tangere*, to touch.] 1a. Discernible by the touch or capable of being touched. b. Capable of being treated as fact: REAL < tangible evidence> 2. Capable of being understood or realized < a tangible benefit> 3. Law. Capable of being valued monetarily, as land or securities < tangible property> —*n.* 1. Something palpable or concrete. 2. Tangibles. Material assets. —**tan'gi-bil'i-ty**, **tan'gi-ble-ness** *n.* —**tan'gi-bly** *adv.* **tan-gle** (tāng'gəl) *v.* **-gled**, **-gling**, **-gles** [ME *tangilen*, to involve in embarrassment.] —*vt.* 1. To mix together or intertwine in a confused mass: SNARL. 2. To involve in awkward or hampering complications: ENTANGLE. 3. To trap or ensnare. —*vi.* To be or become entangled. —*n.* 1. A confused intertwined mass. 2. A confused or jumbled condition. 3. Bewilderment. 4. Informal. An argument. —**tangle with**, *Informal*. To come to blows with. —**tan'gly** *adj.* **tan-gle** (tāng'gəl) *n.* [Of Scand. orig.] A large seaweed of the genus *Laminaria*. **tan-go** (tāng'gō) *n., pl.* **-gos** [Am. Sp., poss. of African orig.] 1. A Latin-American ballroom dance in 2/4 or 4/4 time. 2. The music for the tango. —*vi.* **-goed**, **-go-ing**, **-gos** To dance the tango. **tan-g-o-re-cep-tor** (tāng'gō-rē-sēp'tər) *n.* [Lat. *tangere*, to touch + RECEPTOR.] A cutaneous receptor that responds to touch and pressure. **tan-gram** (tāng'gram) *n.* [Perh. partial trans. of Chin. (Mandarin) *táng tú*: *táng*, a Chinese dynasty + *tú*, picture, diagram.] A Chinese puzzle made of a square cut into five triangles, a square, and a rhomboid, to be reassembled into different figures.



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**tan-ist** (tān'ist, thō'nist) *n.* [Ir. Gael. *tánaiste* < Olr. *tánaise*.] The heir apparent to an ancient Celtic chief, elected during the chief's lifetime. **tan-ist-ry** (tān'ī-strē, thō'nī-) *n.* The system of electing a tanist.

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